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LOS ANGELES

Four outstanding students from the four Los Angeles area medical schools received surprise gifts of full tuition scholarships for their final year at the annual Student American Medical Association Conference last month in Los Angeles.

Checks for the scholarships came from the Los Angeles County Medical Association Foundation for Medical Education, whose purpose is to aid medical students at schools in the Los Angeles area..

The four students were among several hundred who attended the 11th annual SAMA meeting sponsored jointly by LACMA and the California Medical Association. They were Robert Caneday, University of Southern California; Russell Reit, University of California at Los Angeles; Jeremiah E. Donoghue, Jr., California College of Medicine, and Mrs. Mildred Werner, Loma Linda University.

The presentations were made by Dr. Elmer F. Gooel, president of LACMA "in recognition of scholarship attainments as well as other attributes."

The conference is to acquaint medical students with facets of practice not covered in classroom work. Panel discussions at the conference were moderated by Dr. Samuel R. Sherman, San Francisco, then president of the CMA.

The first meeting of the Institute For Comprehensive Medicine will be held at the Los Angeles County Medical Association Auditorium on May 7, 1964 at 8 p.m. The theme will be "Psychiatry for the Non-Psychiatrist." The two topics, which will be discussed by outstanding panelists, are: "What the General Practitioner Can Do to Help the Anxious and Tense Patient" and "The Chemotherapeutic Management of the Depressed Patient."

The Veterans Administration Hospital, Long Beach, will hold its Third Annual Alumni Day on May 27, 1964, at the hospital. The program:

Open House	2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Scientific Program	4:00 to 5:30 p.m.
(Presentation of papers	by residents)
Social Hour	5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Dinner	6:30 p.m.

Further information and registration forms may be obtained by calling GEneva 9-6861, Ext. 222, or writing Mrs. Mildred Hawkins, Office of the Chief of Staff, VA Hospital, Long Beach.

The La Vina Sanatorium and Hospital of Altadena has opened a new unit of 25 beds for the care of non-tuberculous respiratory diseases. Dr. W. H. Oatway, medical director, announced that Dr. Irving Kass of Denver will be physician-in-charge. La Vina, a non-profit hospital, was founded in 1909.

SANTA CLARA

"Cancer: Facts, Fallacies and Philosophies" will be the topic of the seventh annual Clinic Day medical meeting sponsored by the Palo Alto Medical Clinic and the Palo Alto Medical Research Foundation on Saturday, April 18. The all day meeting, which will deal with every aspect of the cancer problem, will start at 9:00 a.m. in the auditorium of Channing House, Homer Avenue, corner of Webster Street, Palo Alto. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. there.

GENERAL

An increase in stipend rates for predoctoral fellowships awarded on or after July 1, 1964 has been announced by the Public Health Service. The increased stipends will put into effect the recommendations of senior scientists in educational institutions throughout the nation, according to Dr. Luther L. Terry, Surgeon General of the Public Health Service.

The stipends at each predoctoral level will be increased by \$600, raising them to \$2,400 for the first year, \$2,600 for intermediate years, and \$2,800 for the terminal year.

Applications for predoctoral fellowships can be submitted at any time to the Career Development Review Branch, Division of Research Grants, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, 20014.

The Pacific Coast Fertility Society will convene at the El Mirador Hotel in Palm Springs, California on November 12, 13, 14 and 15, 1964.

CMA to Meet in San Francisco

The 94th annual session of the California Medical Association will be held in San Francisco, March 27-31, 1965.

These dates will not conflict with Easter week as did the dates of past two annual sessions.

Five hundred California physicians have received a mailed questionnaire from the State Department of Social Welfare seeking their opinions on what are the most and the least essential of the services provided state medical care recipients.

Dentists, pharmacists, social workers and administrators also have been queried. In addition, 10,000 aid recipients in 11 counties have received questionnaires designed to learn their awareness, use, opinion and needs of service.